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A SCHOOL HOUSE.

Why Not Have A Good One Here.

Some Estimates On Costs and A Proposition.

Recent visits to the public schools of Marble Hill and Lutesville has impressed the editor with the fact that there are many respects in which they are decidedly inferior to what they should be. The schools are indeed fortunate in having such able principals as Prof. Myers and Leoffler—men who have educational interests deep at heart, and who are laboring zealously to raise the standard of the schools. Their assistants deserve as favorable mention. Misses Graves and Caldwell are experienced primary teachers who are doing faithful work.

But they are hampered. The fault is with the facilities afforded. The houses are too small to accommodate the attendance, and are old and decayed—lacking tasteful arrangement and attractive appearance. Frequently a teacher is compelled to attempt to give instruction to fifty or sixty pupils. Half the number demands as much attention as any teacher can successfully give. The apparatus, without which no teacher can successfully work, are inadequate when furnished at all. The libraries, while composed of choice works, are small. It is eminent that either new houses must be built or additions made to the old ones soon. This would be a waste of money. It is about time that the Twin Cities were discarding district school ways.

The editor, backed by the favorable indorsement of prominent citizens and educators of the two towns, proposes that the two districts be thrown into one and a school building worthy of the towns be built. Our public school building should be in keeping with our fine court house. A good brick school house of six rooms could be built for \$6,000. The old houses with the lots would sell for perhaps \$3,000 which would leave a net cost of about \$3,000. This amount could be paid in two, four, six, eight and ten years for a total of \$3,720. Assuming the total assessed valuation of the two districts at \$225,000, which it will no doubt reach this would entail a yearly average taxation of about .0016 1-2 per cent, which would hardly be perceptible to the taxpayers. An elegant site can be found between the two towns. A very desirable one would be just east of the old bridge abutment on the east side of Crooked creek.

As to the expense of conducting such school over that of the present two, it would be immaterial. The present expenses of the schools is not far from \$200 per month. A school with one principal and four assistants could be conducted at an expense of not more than \$210 per month. A ten months school would thus cost about \$2,100 per year. And no one will deny that we should have a ten month school. From the school fund the two schools get at present about \$500, leaving the total cost to be paid by taxation about \$1,600 or about 70 cents on the \$100 which is not too much. A graded school articulating with the academy, normal or university could thus be established. It is a reflection not at all creditable to the two towns that we have but six or seven months of school.

STATEMENT of the SCHOOL MONEY — OF — BOLLINGER COUNTY, MISSOURI

Those names bearing an * have paid interest since Feb. 1
APPROVED BY THE COUNTY COURT AT FEBRUARY TERM, 1893.

To the Honorable, the County Court of Bollinger County Missouri.

In compliance with section 3,186, Revised Statutes of 1889, I herewith submit a detailed statement of the School Funds of said county, showing amount due by each borrower and the interest due thereon on the first day of February, 1893, as follows, to-wit:

NAME.	PRINCIPAL.	INTEREST.
Allen John H.	\$160 00	00 00
Allen Stephen.	250 00	18 33
Atchison Mary E	50	3 14
Auther Estel E	300	

Bair W H	150	
Back Jacob F	100	16 39
Bess D R.	200	
Bess Anderson	100	
Bagby J M & M C	75	
Beel J H	35 00	
Borders David G	150*	20 10
Bond G L	250	
Barks Philip	223	
Barber Ezekiel	365	
Barber James D	300	
Barrett Wm.	165	16 98
Bess E W	300	
Berry F M	100	
Baker G W	21 30	7 05
Bess Anderson	35	
Beach Lou C & T T.	160	
Biffle Wm J	150*	12 25
Bowman B L	60	
Bechtel J P	40	
Bohnsack Aug	535	
Berry H L	650*	52 30
Burns Wm H	100	

Chostner J M	600	
Cunningham A P	350	
Chronister Thos F	100	
Caldwell W H	75	17 59
Cavaness T A	140	
Clubb Thos	99	9 90
Cobb W F	125	26 77
Caldwell W H	200	12 13
Clingingsmith J A	300	
Cato N L King A C & Dixon J W	147 37	60 79
Crader J M	250	24 73
Crader John M	240	
Call Mary A & John	200	
Crader John F	160	
Call G W Jr	300	
Caldwell E F	290	

Dockins John K	230 90	
Dennis John S	100	
Dennis D Mc	200	
Dixon J W	200	51 41
Dunkin S W	200	
Devore W W	150	
Dunn A H	92	
Dunkin Louis	153 33	

Estes P D	700	8 75
Francis Hannah	125	
Feltinbarger Samuel	150	
Fish John G	125	
Francis Wm B	125	7 17
Finney W B	300	17 56
Finney J G	200	5 6

Gordon John F	50	
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Gregory John C	50	
Gibbs Geo E	250	
Girdley James H	100	
Garner A J	46 35	
George Benj	75	

Hahn M A	40	
Huffstutler Aaron	30	
Hutson James E		
Hewitt T J		
Harris Wm T		
Hahn Jesse jr		
Henson Wm N		
Henderson A W		
Huffman P S		
Henly Thos		
Hembree J C		
Howton M L		

Jamison W A		
Jamison Urias		
Jamison Rhoda	300	
James, Drum & Wells	500	
Jacques A B.	340	
James John M	300	

Kirkpatrick J C	50	
Kinder J R	175	
Kinder Nathan	195	
Kegly John C	225	
Kitchens Wm M	195	
King Geo W & Betsy E	280	
Kinder Emanuel	250	
King John W	40	
King John W & Chas	225	
King W S	100	

Lutes Mary D & Eli	600	
Long Richard	200	
Lambert F G	110	
Lee G H	100	
Lessley Julius	160	
Limbaugh James P	400	
Layne Girdley	160	

McCans Wm P	125*	
Mayfield F R and Gilliland J A	225	
Miller Henry B	275	
Monroe John B	30	
Mourie A S	2	
Moore William	7	
Mills Jesse D	1	
Mayer Mary J and Adolph	24	
Miller John F	2	
McCormick Reuben		
Mauker Thaditis		
McManus John P		
Maloney P H		
McKee Eliza		
McGregor H P		
Masters David		
Maloney John T		
Mayer Adolph		
Mayer Louis		
Mauker Henry		
Markham R T		
McDowell Samuel		
Mitchell Anderson		
Moore E V et al.		
Morgan Wm M		
Mansfield J W		

Nanney W N		
Pound Thos J		
Pittman G T		
Potter J D		
Phelan Thos J		
Poe E M		

Ralls P V		
Robertson R E		
Rhodes Wm B		
Rhodes Daniel		
Robins Daniel M		
Rose J W		
Rowe D W		
Rollins J H		
Robbins Sarah A		
Rhodes W B		
Robbins E H		
Rhodes Jacob & Wm		
Robbins W R		
Richards Miles G		
Rhodes Wm C		
Revelle Osborne		
Rowe John R		

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